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CONFERENCE CHRONOLOGICAL ROLL

	CONTERENCE CHRONOLOGICAL ROLL
Year	Name Nativity , Address
1904	Carruth, J. A.—Mississippi—Lake Charles, La.
1910	Ensign, F. J.—Wisconsin—La Porte, Texas
1910	Faulk, H. K.—Louisiana—Lutcher, La.
1907	Germany, W. H.—Mississippi—Houston, Texas
1905	Gray, J. H.—Delaware—Lake Charles, La.
1891	Gower, L. E.—Illinois—Houston, Texas
1901	Harrison, W. ELouisiana-Hughes Springs, La.
1911	Harper, G. L.—Mississippi—Pearland, Texas
1911	Hardin, E. N.—Kentucky—DeQuincy, La.
1903	Hervey, J. W.—Texas—
1900	Hines, G. B.—Texas—Lake Charles, La.
1898	Lively, J. W.—Arkansas—Marshall, Texas
1902	Leonard, H. C.—Ohio—San Antonio, Texas
1880	Loy, F. W.—Illinois—Jennings, La.
1911	Newton, W. R.—Illinois—Bayou Chene, La.
1891	Oliver, N. H.—Pennsylvania—Glenmora, La.
1912	Perkins, C. A.—Texas—Patroon, Texas
1911	Pointer, Jas. D.—Alabama—Inhambane, E. Africa
1903	Price, A. J.—Michigan—Port Arthur, Texas
1907	Pynes, R. T.—Alabama—Marshall, Texas
	Robinson C. R.—Port Arthur, Texas
1858	Sayers, N. L.—Pennsylvania—Kinder, La.
1892	Shrode, T. J.—Indiana—Loranger, La.
1890	Stokes, W. T.—Alabama—Texas City, Texas
1911	Swanson, R. G.—Texas—Auburn, Miss.
1900	Van Valkenburg, F. D.—New York—Bilolxi, Miss
1905	Weldon, R. L.—Louisiana—Welsh, La.
1898	Woodson, Julian—Tennessee—Marshall, Texas
1901	Yockey, S. H.—Pennsylvania—Lutcher, La.
TOTA	PROBATIONERS—Second Year.
1914	Holmes, G. W.—Pennsylvania—Atlanta, '1 exas
	Kenna, J. B.—Mississippi—Chattanooga, Tenn.
1916	Minter, K. C.— l'exas—Woodville, 1'exas
1912	Wynne, A. M.—Louisiana—Kinder, La.

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE

Presiding Bishop Charles Bayard Mitchell, D.D., LLD	St. Paul, Minn.		
Secretary			
Harry C. LeonardSan	Antonio, Texas		
Assistant Secretaries			
S. H. Yockey	Lutcher, La.		
C. A. Perkins			
Statistician			
E. N. Hardin	DeQuincey, La.		
Assistant Statisticians			
R. L. Weldon	Welsh, La.		
K. C. Minter	Voodville, Texas		
Treasurer			
F. J. Ensign	LaPorte, Texas		
Assistant Treasurers			
O. J. Ackerman	Lyford, Texas		
W. H. Germany	Houston, Texas		
Auditor			
T. J. Shrode	Loranger, La.		
for the year — H. K. Faulk			
Assistant Auditors			
R. T. Pynes	Marshall, Texas		
H. K. Faulk			
Conference Post Master			
Geo. L. Harper	Pearland, Texas		
Reporter for the Press	. 7		
W U Camagan	Houston Toras		

CONFERENCE BOARDS—1919.

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District Board of Home Missions and Church Extension Southern District:

F. W. Loy, R. L. Weldon, H. K. Faulk, C. V. Palmer J. A. Carruth.

Texas District:

L. E. Gower, W. H. Germany, Dr. J. W. Vogan, H. H. Jones, F. J. Ensign

District Epworth League Presidents R. L. Weldon, R. T. Pynes.

Conference Commission on Finance

T. J. Shrode, R. T. Pynes, E. C. Willard

Public Worship

Pastor and District Superintendent

Resolutions

J. A. Carruth, H. C. Leonard, H. K. Faulk.

Memoirs

J. H. Gray, J. W. Lively, C. A. Perkins.
Sabbath Observance

G. L. Harper, R. G. Swanson, J. Sanna—Ser Sunday Schools

W. T. Stokes, H. C. Leonard, H. K. Faulk State of the Church

> R. T. Pynes, C. A. Perkins Temperance

S. H. Yockey, W. T. Stokes American Bible Society

N. H. Oliver, Julian Woodson, E. N. Hardin. Book Concern and Periodicals

H. C. Leonard, R. L. Weldon, C. A. Perkins. Home Missions and Church Extension W. H. Germany, E. N. Hardin, F. J. Ensign

Education

H. K. Faulk, A. J. Price, H. C. Leonard, J. H. Gray G. L. Harper

Freedman's Aid Society

R. T. Pynes, R. L. Weldon, S. H. Yockey

Epworth League

F. J. Ensign, R. L. Weldon, R. T. Pynes.

(b) Special Committees.

On Union of Conferences

F. W. Loy, L. E. Gower, H. C. Leonard, H. H. Jones, C. V. Palmer, E. C. Willard.

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Conference Centenary Council

R. L. Weldon, C. V. Palmer, H. C. Leonard, H. H. Jones. Board of Home Missions and Church Extension

Pastors at Lake Charles: Welsh, Jennings, and Ebenezer The District Superintendents: Mrs. D. A. Kelly, G. B. Wollman, E. C. Willard, S. H. Yockey, H. C. Marshall, J. A. Carruth, P. W. Kiplinger.

Board of Foreign Missions

E. N. Hardin, H. K. Faulk, T. J. Shrode, H. C. Leonard.
Board of Conference Stewards.

To serve one year: L. E. Gower, T. J. Shrode, S. H. Yockey, J. H. Gray

To serve two years: W. T. Stokes, R. T. Pynes, J. A. Carruth.

To serve three years: C. H. Perkins, F. J. Ensign, H. C. Leonard.

District Sunday School Board

The District Superintendents: C. V. Palmer, J. C. Abel, C. A. Perkins, E. N. Hardin, H. K. Faulk, J. J. Miller. Visitors to Port Arthur College

H. C. Leonard, J. H. Gray, W. H. Germany

Triers of Appeals

R. L. Weldon, A. J. Price, G. B. Hines, R. G. Swanson, C. A. Perkins.

Reserves: H. C. Leonard, W. T. Stokes.
Board of Examiners

H. K. Faulk, W. H. Germany, R. L. Weldon, J. H. Gray, T. J. Shrode, F. J. Ensign.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES—1918—1919

(a) StandingForeign MissionsW. T. Stokes, R. T. Pynes.Episcopal Fund.

The District Superintendents
Conference Relations

T. J. Shrode, J. H. Gray, H. C. Leonard General Qualifications

H. C. Leonard, R. T. Pynes, J. H. Gray.
Auditing Accounts

H. K. Faulk, E. N. Hardin, W. R. Newton

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

- Is this Annual Conference Incorporated According to the Requirements of the Discipline? It is.
- 2. Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences?

C. E. Burch, N. W. Nebraska.

J. Howard Gray, Wilmington.

Charles R. Robinson, Arkansas.

3. Who have meen Re-admitted? Charles V. LaFontaine, Rock River,

- 4. Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?

 None.
- 5. Who have been Received on Trial?
 - (a) In Studies of First Year None
 - (b) In Studies of Third year under the Seminary Rule. None
- 6. Who have been Continued on Trial?
 - (a) In Studies of First Year.
 None
 - (b) In Studies of Second Year. Guy W. Holmes James B. Kenna Kennith C. Minter Artis M. Wynne
 - (c) In Studies of Third Year.
 None
 - (d) In Studies of Fourth Year.
- 7. Who have been Discontinued?
- 8. Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?
 - (a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year.
 None
 - (b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously. C. E. Burch.
- 9. What Members are in the Studies of Third Year?
 - (a) Admitted into Full Membership this year. None
 - (b) Admitted into Full Membership previously. None
- 10. What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?

- II. What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?
 - (a) Elected and Ordained Elders this year.C. E. Burch.
 - (b) Elected and Ordained Elders previously.
 None
 - (c) Elected and Ordained Elders under the Seminary Rule. None
- 12. What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?
 - (a) As Local Preachers. None
 - (b) Under Missionary Rule. None
 - (c) Under the Seminary Rule.
- 13. What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?
 - (a) As Local Deacons None
 - (b) Under the Missionary Rule. None
- 14. Was the Character of each Preacher examined?

 It was as his name was called in open Conference
- 15. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences?
 - R. R. Ellis, Oklahoma
 - O. B. Morris, Oklahoma
 - P. E. Vaughan, Oklahoma
 - T. E. Webb, Oklahoma

Phillip Deschner, Southern German

- 16. Who have Died?
- 17. Who have been Located at their own Request?

 None.
- 18. Who have been Located? None.

- 19. Who have Withdrawn? None.
- 20. Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?

 None.
- 21. Who have been Expelled? None.
- 22. What other personal Notation should be made? J. A. Carruth, Leave of absence granted.
- 23. Who are the Supernumerary Ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this Relation?

 None.
- 24. Who are the Retired Ministers?
 - J. W. Lively
 - N. H. Oliver
 - N. L. Savers
 - F. D. Van Valkenberg Julian Woodson
- 25. Who are the Triers of Appeals?G. B. Hines, C. A. Perkins, A. J. Price, R. G. Swanson, R. L. WeldonReserves: H. C. Leonard, W. T. Stokes.
- 26. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension?
- 27. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions?
- 28. What is the Statistical Report. See the Statisticians Report.
- 29. What is the Conference Treasurer's Report? See the Conference Treasurer's Report.
- 30. (a) What is the Aggregate of the Benovelence Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? \$4343.

	(b) What is the Aggregate of the Benovelent Collections ordered by the Annual Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? \$256.
31.	What are the Claims on the Conference Funds?
	For Annuity Distribution,years multiplied by
	the Disciplinary rate of \$per year, \$
	For Necessitous distribution, \$Total, \$
32.	(a) What has been Received on these Claims?
	From the Book Concern, \$306.00; From Annual
105	Conf. Investments \$62.36; From the Chartered
	Fund; From Pastoral Charges \$393.00;
	From the Board of Conf. Claimants, \$443.00.
	Total \$1204.36.
	(b) How has it been Applied?
	What amount has been apportioned to the Pastoral
	Charges within the Conference, to be raised for the
	Support of Conference Claimants?
	What amount has been paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Conference Claimants for Connectional Relief?
	Where are the Preachers Stationed?
S 3 3 3 5 5	See List of Appointments.
	Where shall the Next Conference be held?
	Lake Charles, La.
API	POINTMENTS OF THE GULF CONFERENCE
(OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
	Southern District
F. V	V. Loy, District Superintendent, Jennings, La\$400
Aub	urn,—R. G. Swanson200
Bayo	ou Chene,—W. R. Newton, O. DeLord, Asst 200
Belle	e City,—(W. B. Hebert)
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Crowley,—to be supplied	
DeQuincy,—E. N. Harden	200
De Ridder,—E. N. Harden, supply	200
Dry Prong,—(J. T. Parsons)	
Ebenezer,—(G. A. Seed)	100
Elton and Raymond—(C. C. Beasley)	100
Gloster and Smithdale,—(D. Cassels)	200
Geydan,—C. E. Burch	
Hammond,—to be supplied	
Hico and Quitman,—(Q. L. Bennett)	150
Iowa,—(W. R. Newton, supply)	100
Jennings,—H. K. Faulk	
Kinder and Edna,—A. M. Wynne	100
Lake Charles,—J. Howard Gray	
Loranger,—T. J. Shrode	
Lutcher,—S. H. Yockey	
New Orleans, 1st. Italian—J. Sanna-Ser	1000
Oak Grove—to be supplied	100
Port Arthur—C. R. Robinson	
Shamrock—(S. B. Nelson)	150
Sweet Lake—(C. E. Burch, supply	
Welsh—R. L. Weldon	
Texas District	-
L. E. Gower, District Superintendent, 1009 Arlington	
Street, Houston, Texas	500
Alvin—S. P. Gaskin, to be supplied	
Atlanta, Jefferson and Overton-G. W. Holmes	
Austin, Hyde Park	
Deadwood and Bethel—(J. M. Kenna)	50
Houston, College Heights—(T. M. Ransom)	. 25
Houston Heights-W. H. Germany	
Hughes Springs and Winnsboro-W. H. Harrison	200
La Porte—F. J. Ensign	
Lufkin Ct.—(C. H. LaGrone)	125
Lyford—(O. J. Ackerman)	150
Marshall—R. T Pynes	

Noonday and Harleton—C. A. Perkins	
Ore City—(C. A. Perkins, supply)	
Pearland—Geo. L. Harper100	
Polk Ct.—(W. C. Mann)	
Rockhill—(J. M. Kenna)	
Sabine Ct.—(T. H. Fletcher)	
San Antonio: Trinity—H. C. Leonard	
William Chapel—(B. E. Breihan)	
Shelbyville and Center—(W. P. Colvin) 100	
South Houston and Aldine—(T. M. Ransom) 150	
Texas City and Arcadia—W. T. Stokes	
Woodville Ct.—K. C. Minter	
SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS	
A. J. Price, President Port Arthur College, Port Arthur	
Qr. Conf.	
J. D. Pointer, Missionary to Portuguese East Africa	
G. B. Hines, engaged in war work, Lake Charles Qr. Conf.	
J. B. Kenna, left without appointment to attend school,	
Auburn, Qr. Conf.	
J. W. Hervey, left without appointment to attend school	
Welsh, Qr. Conf.	
J. A. Carruth, leave of absence, Lake Charles Qr. Conf.	
Chas. V. LaFontaine, Engaged in war work, Port Arthur,	
Or. Conf.	

All names in () are supplies.

Figures at the right are Missionary appropriations.

——‡‡—— DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

—‡— First Day

Houston, Texas, Nov. 27, 1918 Collins Memorial Church

OPENING.

The Gulf Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church assembled for its 16th annual session Wednesday morning, November 27, 1918 in the Collins Memorial

Methodist Episcopal Church, Houston, Texas, at 8:30 o'clock, Bishop Charles Bayard Mitchell called the Conference to order. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by the Bishop assisted by the District Superintendents.

ORGANIZATION.

The Bishop called the Conference to order and asked for the roll call. The Secretary of the last session having moved H. C. Leonard was elected secretary with S. H. Yockey and C. A. Perkins assistants. The secretary called the roll. Thirteen members answered present.

The following officers were elected: F. J. Ensign, Treasurer; O. J. Ackerman and W. H. Germany, Assistants; E. N. Hardin, Statistician; R. L. Weldon and K. C. Minter Assistants; T. J. Shrode, Auditor; R. T. Pynes and H. K. Faulk, Assistants; W. H. Germany Reporter for the Press; G. L. Harper, Postmaster.

On motion the time for opening was fixed at 9 a.m. and the time for adjournment at 12 noon.

Question fourteen was called and the District Superintendents were called, their characters passed and each reported his district—F. W. Loy, Southern District and L. E. Gower, Texas District.

INTRODUCTIONS.

The following were introduced to the Conference—Rev. C. Bunse, O. Linstrum, H. A. Peterman, J. H. Hunter and W. O. Hunter and others.

- J. B. Hingeley, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Conference Claimants was introduced and addressed the Conference. He gave the Conference a check from the Board for \$443.00. A vote of thanks was tendered the Board.
- J. W. Van Cleve, Corresponding Secretary of the Commission of Finance was introduced and addressed the Conference.

The Bishop addressed the Conference on the subject "Ourselves".

A motion prevailed calling the members of the Conference to meet with the Auditing Committee at 1:30.

Session adjourned with prayer by the Bishop.

SECOND DAY

Thursday Nov. 28, 1918.

At 9 o'clock the Bishop called the Conference to order and hymn: "A Charge to Keep I Have" was sung. The Bishop conducted the devotions.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Question 2—Who have been Transferred into the Conference.

C. E. Burch, a deacon, and having completed the Conference Course of Study was transferred from the North West Nebraska Conference.

J. Howard Gray from the Wilmington Conference. C. E. Burch was introduced. His case was referred to the Board of Examiners and Committee on Conference Relations.

The roll of absentees from the first session was called and five answered.

L. E. Gower read the list of Standing Committees. (See list).

Question fourteen was resumed. The following effective elders of the Southern District were called, their characters passed and each reported his work: W. R. Newton, J. A. Carruth, S. H. Yockey, E. N. Hardin, T. J. Shrode, H. K. Faulk, J. H. Gray, O. B. Morris.

The following effective elders of the Texas District were called, their characters passed and each reported his work: F. J. Ensign, G. L. Harper, C. A. Perkins, H. C. Leonard, W. T. Stokes, R. T. Pynes, W. E. Harrison.

Question 3.—Who have been Readmitted? None

Question 4.—Who have been Received on Credentials and from what Churches? None.

Question 5.—Who have been Received on Trial? None Question 6.—Who have been Continued on Trial?

(a) In the studies of the first year. None

(b) In the studies of the second year. K. C. Minter, A. M. Wynne, J. B. Kenna.

On motion of L. E. Gower the character of K. C. Minter was passed and he was continued in the studies of the second year.

On motion of F. W. Loy the characters of J. B. Kenna and A. M. Wynne were passed, and they were continued in the studies of the second year.

Question 8.—Who have been Admitted in to Full Membership.

On motion of F. W. Loy, C. E. Burch was admitted into full membership and recommended to elder's orders.

Question 11.—What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study? C. E. Burch.

Question 12.—What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons? None.

Question 13.—What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders? None.

Question 15.—Who have been Transferred and to what Conference?

Phillip Deschner, Southern German.

O. B. Morris to the Oklahoma Conference to take effect at the adjournment of the Conference.

Question 16.—Who have Died? None.

Question 17.—Who have Located at their own Request? None.

Question 18.—Who have been Located? None.

Question 19.—Who have Withdrawn? None.

Question 20.—Who have been Permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints. None

Question 21.—Who have been Expelled? None. Question 23.—Who are the Supernumerary Ministers? None.

Question 24.—Who are the Retired Ministers? The following were called, their characters passed and each spoke to the conference—J. E. Lively, N. H. Oliver.

The hour of eleven having arrived Thanksgiving services were conducted by the Bishop. The text of the sermon was Psalm 4-7, "Thou hast put gladness in my heart".

THIRD DAY.

Friday Nov. 29, 1918.

The Bishop called the Conference to order at 9 o'clock. The hymn—"In the Cross of Christ I Glory" was sung. Journal of previous session was read and approved.

L. E. Gower read the members of the Board of Conference Stewards.

To serve one year:—R. L. Weldon, T. J. Shrode, S. H. Yockey.

To serve two years:—W. T. Stokes, R. L. Pynes, J. A. Carruth.

To serve three years:—C. A. Perkins, F. J. Ensign, H. C. Leonard.

The Conference elected the Board as read.

L. E. Gower read the members of the Special Committee on Union of Conferences:—

F. W. Loy, L. E. Gower, H. C. Leonard, H. H. Jones, C. V. Palmer, E. C. Willard. The Conference elected the committee as named.

J. A. Carruth gave the report of the Permanent Fund, reporting an investment of \$866.78 and interest amounting to \$62.36.

On motion of J. A. Carruth the Calcasieu National Bank of Southwestern Louisiana was made the treasurer of the Permanent Fund.

On motion of J. A. Carruth the Conference re-elected the Board of Trustees of the Conference.

Question twenty-four was resumed: The following names were called, characters passed and each continued in the Superannuate relation.

N. L. Sayers, F. D. Van Valkenberg and Julian Woodson. The secretary read a communication from F. D. Van Valkenberg.

INTRODUCTION:

Charles C. Rarick, Oregon Conference, Executive Secretary of the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Charles V. LaFontaine, Secretary of the Army Y.M. C.A. at Port Arthur.

On motion of T. J. Shrode the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS paragraph five (5) of article five (5) of the Charter of Port Arthur College reads as follows:

"At each annual meeting the said Board of Trustees shall elect for a regular term of three years the successors of the retiring class and elect persons to fill all vacancies that may exist in any other class, all elections to be subject to approval by the Gulf Annual Conference at its next regular session".

AND WHEREAS attorney Baldwin of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church and attorney J. W. Williams of Port Arthur have raised the legal question as to the legal power of a Trustee elected by the Board of Trustees but *not approved* by the Gulf Conference, and also as to the legal power of any Trustee between the time of his election by the Trustees and his approval by the Gulf Conference

AND WHEREAS the present Charter does not provide for adequate representation on the Board of Trustees of Mrs. Dellora R, Gates and of the Board of Education, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Gulf Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in its sixteenth annual session held at Houston, Texas, this 29th., day of November 1918, that the Conference herewith authorizes the Trustees of Port Arthur College to have paragraph five (5) of the present Charter amended to read as follows:

"The successors of these classes shall be elected in the following manner: one-third shall be appointed by Dellora R. Gates in 1918 and every third year thereafter during her lifetime, these Trustees to hold office for three (3) years (after her death the remaining Trustees shall elect this class each third year); one-third shall be elected by the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1919 and every third year thereafter, these Trustees to hold office for three (3) years; and one-third shall be elected by the Gulf Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1920 and every third year thereafter, these Trustees to hold office for three (3) years. Any vacancy in any class may be filled for the unexpired term by the Board of Trustees. All Trustees shall hold office until their successors are elected.

The above resolution was adopted.

H. C. LEONARD, Sec.



On motion of O. B. Morris the following trustees of Port Arthur College were approved by the Conference to constitute the class of 1921.

To the President and Members of the Gulf Annual Conference:

The Trustees of Port Arthur College herewith present for your approval the following Trustees whom they have elected to constitute the class of Ninteen Hundred and Twenty-one:

R. C. Holmes, V. P., The Texas Company, New York, N. Y. R. L. Drake, Supt., The Texas Co......Port Arthur, Texas

F. L. Sheeks, So. Pac. Lines	Beaumont, Texas
E. C. Willard, Banker	Welsh, La.
R. H. Woodworth, Banker	Port Arthur, Texas
W. N. McReynolds, Banker	Port Arthur, Texas
C. E. Herrman, Gates Estate	New York, N. Y.

On motion of O. B. Morris these Trustees were elected and approved.

H. C. LEONARD, Sec.

- O. B. Morris announced the death of Dellora R. Gates and the Conference instructed the Secretary to send a telegram of sympathy to Charles E. Herman, Plaza Hotel, New York, City.
- C. A. Perkins was appointed agent for the Methodist Review.

On motion of F. W. Loy, J. H. Gray was appointed to the Board of Conference Stewards to serve in the place of R. L. Weldon.

At his request, T. J. Shrode was excused from attending further sessions of the conference.

The Bishop announced the dividend from the Book Concern to be \$306 and it was ordered paid to the Conference Board of Stewards.

The order of the day having arrived, A. Wesley Mell, as California Conference and F. W. Mueller, Central Serman Conference were introduced and presented the Centenary Program.

The following resolution was presented by H. K. Faulk and was adopted:

WHEREAS, the World War summons the Church to unusual devotion and activity in preparation for the days of reconstruction following the coming of peace, in order to make the world safe for democracy that democracy can be safe for the world; and

WHEREAS, the General Conference directed that the years 1918 and 1919 be set aside for the observance of the celebration of the Centenary of the founding of our missionary work; and

WHEREAS, The Centenary is thus providentially timed to coincide with the great World War; and

WHEREAS, under the order of the General Conference, a World Program has been adopted which provides for placing our work at home and abroad upon a basis of higher efficiency in order that the Methodist Episcopal Church may do its full share in bringing in the Kingdom of Jesus Christ, therefore be it

RESOLVED, first, That this Annual Conference strongly endorses the Centenary Movement and pledges its full cooperation.

Second, That a Conference Centenary Council be and hereby is created, this Council to consist of the District Superintendents and one pastor and one or more laymen from each district.

Third, That the District Superintendent be requested to take immediate steps to organize the District, Sub-Disrict and Local Church Councils, in accordance with the action of the District Superintendents at the Columbus meeting.

Fourth, That the Centenary Allotments, as handed down to the Districts, be at once heartily accepted by the Districts and if possible, that they be over-subscribed.

Fifth, That all necessary arrangements be made by District Superintendents, pastors and the laity of the Church for the intensive period of ten days with which the campaign is to culminate, and that a day be designated by the National Campaign Committee and set aside in all our churches, this day to be known as World Program Sunday. We, therefore, recommend that on this day our pastors and

people everywhere give themselves to prayer and to earnest consideration of the facts involved in building the World Program of American Methodism.

Sixth, We especially commend the plans being made by the Joint Centenary Committee for deepening the spiritual life of the church and for enrolling its members in Christian Stewardship, and we join in the prayer that this great Centenary Movement may result in an evangelistic awakening throughout the world.

The following Conference Centenary Council was appointed:

Upon motion of F. W. Loy,—R. L. Weldon and C. V. Palmer.

Upon motion of L. E. Gower,—H. C. Leonard and H. H. Jones.

Adjourned with benediction by the Bishop.

FOURTH DAY

Saturday November 30, 1918.

The Bishop called the Conference to order at 9 o'clock. The hymn "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" was sung. Journal of previous session read and approved.

Question three was resumed. By the recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations Charles V. La-Fontaine was readmitted and his credentials from the Rock River Conference were recognized. Quarterly Conf. relations at Port Arthur.

Question 22.—What other Personal Notation should be made? On motion of F. W. Loy, J. A. Carruth was granted leave of absence with Quarterly Conf. relations at Lake Charles, La.

Question 15 resumed. Bishop announced the transfer of R. R. Ellis, T. E. Webb, P. E. Vaughan to the Oklahoma Conference.

Question two was resumed. Bishop announced the transfer of Charles R. Robinson from the Arkansas Conference.

J. A. Price, President of Port Arthur College, made a report of the college showing its continued success in finance and increased attendance. The future of the college never appeared brighter. President Price also spoke in the interest of the Board of Education.

W. H. Germany reported the receipts from the lecture given by the Bishop amounted to \$52.00 and same was placed in the permanent fund.

The secretary read a communication from W. I. Gates.

On motion of A. J. Price, 80% of the collection for Education was ordered paid to Port Arthur College.

L. E. Gower was added to the Conference Board of Stewards.

Because of the merging of the New Orleans and Southern Districts it was orderer that the Treasurer and Statistician make no comparisons with last year.

Question 36.—Where shall the next Conference be held?

On invitation of J. H. Gray-Lake Charles.

The Conference ordered that the reports of Welsh, Atlanta, Jefferson and Glouster be incorporated in the reports of the Statistician and Treasurer although the total cash had not yet been received.

K. C. Minter read the report of the Statistician (see report). Adopted.

It was ordered that the members of the conference be assessed one per cent of total pastoral support for publication of the Journal.

At this time the Bishop formally received C. E. Burch and Charles LaFontaine into full membership in the Conference.

The order of the day having arrived the Bishop addressed the Conference on "The Work of the Preacher".

Conference adjourned to meet at 1:30.

Benediction by the Bishop.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

The Bishop called the Conference to order at 1:30 "A Charge to Keep I Have" was sung.

Journal of the morning session was read and approved. It was ordered that the printed minutes be the Official Minutes.

The Treasurers report was read by F. J. Ensign and adopted (see report).

Report of Auditing Committee was made by H. K. Faulk. Adopted.

Ordered that Treasurer and Auditor be elected for next year.

F. J. Ensign was elected Treasurer for next year.

H. K. Faulk was elected Auditor for next year.

A. J. Price was elected president of the Board of Trustees.

Ordered that Incidental Conference expenses be paid out of the Conference Minute Fund.

Report of Committee on Education was read by H. K. Faulk. Adopted (see report)

Report of Home Missions and Church Extension was read by W. H. Germany. Adopted (see report)

Journal read and approved.

Adjourned with prayer by the Bishop.

SUNDAY SERVICES

December 1, 1918.

A Love Feast service was conducted by W. E. Harrison at 9:30.

At 10:30 Bishop Mitchell ordained C. E. Burch an Elder, he having been elected to that order.

Memoirs of Mrs. C. A. King was read by J. H. Gray.

The Bishop preached at 11 o'clock from the text Luke 9-32. "When they were awake, they saw his glory".

SUNDAY NIGHT

After preaching a powerful sermon on "The Christ that could not be Hid" the Bishop called the Conference to order at 9:30 p.m.

The Report of the Conference Board of Stewards was read by L. E. Gower and approved.

The Resolutions were read by H. C. Leonard. Approved.

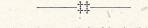
The Secretary was instructed to send a message of sympathy to N. L. Sayers.

The Conference ordered that \$2000.00 from the sale of church property now in bank at New Orleans be paid to lift a debt on the Italian Church.

The Secretary was instructed to send a letter of sympathy to the family of G. B. Hines, news of the burning of their home just having been received.

Motion prevailed that the conference stand adjourned after the reading of the Appointments.

The Bishop read the Appointments (see appointments)

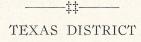


OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE



This is to certify that the foregoing is the Official Kecord of the sixteenth Annual session of the Gui' Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Charles Bayard Mitchell, Bishop. Harry C. Leonard, Secretary



Bishop Mitchell and Brethren:

Of the twenty-one men appointed on the Texas District this year, eleven were members of this Conference and

eleven were supplies. Every conference man has remained with his work as have seven of the supplies, the other four, at different times during the year and for different reasons have been permitted to leave their charges, and therefore we close the year with four important charges without pastors. On some of these charges neighboring pastors have rendered valuable service.

We have shared in the general unrest occasioned by the World War, our laymen have shown their loyalty and gone to the "colors" in such numbers that in at least one church there is not a man of draft age who has not volunteered, every church has its service flag and Honor Roll. One of our pastors volunteered as a private, another for the Army Young Mens Christian Association Work and another for the Chaplaincy. The pastors of the Texas District are one hundred percent patriotic and have done their "bit", their best in the interest of World Democracy, they urged the buying of Liberty Bonds and the giving to the Red Cross and United War Work funds so constantly that practically every family bought Bonds and in almost every window is a Red Cross, while on young and old alike the district over there is to be seen the button given to those who contributed to the United War Work fund.

Immediately after conference adjourned last year Bro. P. E. Vaughan was transferred to the Oklahoma Conference, and Bro. W. E. Harrison, who had been appointed teacher in the Chicago Evangelistic Institute was appointed to fill the vacancy at Hughes Springs, created by said transfer.

Phillip Deschner has been transferred to the Southern German Conference.

The year ends well. Your interests within the bounds of the Texas district have been enlarged, and the church as a whole has been enriched and strengthened through the World vision given our constituency, and their increased sympathy with our work and the Centenary Program of

the church, insures our future. New beauties and advantages are being discovered in the Plans and Programs of the Church by the officials of both city and rural churches and a hundred percent adoption of them is only a matter of time. Tithers are multiplying. The number of charges working the Disciplinary Plan to raise the Benevolences and Ministerial claims increases each year. More charges will appear in the "Star class" than in any previous year.

The Morris Grove church, on the Hughes Springs charge, begun last conference year has been completed and was dedicated in May, free of debt. The parsonage on the Polk Ct. of which mention was made in last years report has been completed and painted, it is recognized as the greatest material achievement ever wrought in that community. A new five room parsonage will be ready for the pastor who is appointed to the Noonday and Harleton charge this year. Something over eight hundred dollars has been expended on a new church building, which is being built on the Lufkin Ct. Through the combined efforts of Bro. J. M. Baker of Ore City and Rev. R. T. Pynes, a new organization was perfected by the D. S. on "Liberty Sunday", at a point about seven miles South of Lasater, Texas. We are assured that within less than a year this new organization will be worshiping in a new church, some hundreds of dollars have already been subscribed for that purpose. The Trinity church in San Antonio has been sold and a new location secured on which to build a strictly modern plant. Temporary quarters are now being erected in which we will hold services until the church is built, then this present structure will be converted into a modern bungalow parsonage. Thus established on Beacon Hill, the choicest section in the city, this worthy and noble congregation will develop plans and organize for a real forward movement in that city.

The service rendered by our Camp Pastors, Bros. Leonard, Deschner, Germany and Ransom has been much

greater and more taxing than that of last year, and we have reason to believe that it has been of the greatest value possible. Literally thousands of our men in uniform have been ministered unto in the several churches, in the barracks, the hospitals, or as they were entraining, much of which would have been impossible had the Board of Home Missions not have come to our aid.

Revivals of more than usual interest have been held on at least five of the charges. On several, debt paying, church or parsonage painting, or the improvement of property along other lines has engaged the thought and energy of our pastors and people, greatly to our credit and comfort.

The Sunday School interests have had more attention along special lines this year than in the past, and our Ladies Aid Societies have stood most nobly by every interest of the church. We have all too few Women's Missionary Societies, but those we have have worked most heroically, there should not be a charge without these Societies.

The Centenary appeals to all who have had information concerning it. The Texas District stands committed to the entire program and though we may not be able to develop as perfect an organization as some we propose to make it count for all possible along every line, we will with the help of some of the pastors and a stereoptican carry its message into every community where we preach.

Our needs have often been mentioned, efficient pastors, men as well trained, capable, energetic and consecrated as are those who bring things to pass in the larger conferences, men who command respect and can lead all classes. Men of this type, adequately supported and allowed to remain a number of years in a given field will brings results.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. Gower.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT

The work of the year on the Southern District has been beset with many difficulties; but by the blessing of God we have been brought to the close rejoicing over a good degree of success and hopeful for the future.

T. E. Webb was released from Jennings in January and

C. E. Burch was secured to fill out the year.

DeRidder, left to be supplied, has been served by neighboring ministers Q. L. Bennett closing the year.

W. D. Richardson, supply, retired from Marthaville in mid year and S. B. Nelson served acceptably till conference.

Lake Charles was left vacant at our last conference session, the charge was supplied by Dr. A. J. Price until April when J. Howard Gray was transferred from Wilming ton conference and carried on the work with great zeal to the close of the year.

E. N. Hardin entered war work in July and S. H. Yockey was appointed to serve Kinder and Basile closing the work of the year acceptably.

The severe storm in August while injuring many of our churches completely demolished church and parsonage at DeQuincy. Under the leadership of Pastor Wynne the people rallied and will replace both.

This has not been what might be called a revival year, but good meetings have been held on a number of charges with conversions and accessions.

The Sunday School work has received the constant care of the pastors. The Sunday School, Epworth and Junior Leagues must not be neglected. Upon these depends the Church of the future.

A number of churches and parsonages have been repaired. The parsonage at Lake Charles has been improved

and furnished at a cost of \$2000. The parsonage at Port Arthur has been completed and would be a credit to any conference in Methodism.

The society at Quitman has purchased the unused Protestant Methodist Church, this building repaired will shelter our people till they are able to rise and build.

We have persistently urged our members to subscribe for our papers. They are doing better, this is our weekness. An Advocate in every home would be an unspeakable blessing.

We need a larger constituancy. Our people are loyal and religious, with room for improvement. We need more of them. The supreme mission of the minister is to get men saved and into the church. The way should always be open to the mercy seat and into the kingdom.

There are many thousand French and Italians within

our bounds.

Our work among the Italians in New Orleans is slow-

ly advancing.

The pastor J. Sanna-Ser is faithful and earnest. The people are learning to do more for themselves. Plans are being perfected by which we will be able to have work done among the French. The great need is a strong French preacher.

The Claims of the benevolences have not been overlooked. In a number of places the pastors report a splen-

did increase.

We have a number of strong growing country churches. We hope by the help of the Rural Department of the H. M. & C. E. Board to make them model Rural Community churches.

Our people are becoming informed on the Stewardship and centenary movements and will respond liberally when the drive is on.

Our pastors and people have proven loyal to the flag during the war. In most our churches are service flags. All stand ready to do their part in the reconstruction of the world.

Port Arthur College under the wise management of Dr. A. J. Price reports the best year of its history.

We have had many obstacles to overcome. The burden of war, a scorching drouth, a devastating storm, a blighting epidemic and destructive rains. And yet we are glad to report that God hath given the increase.

The Southern District includes the whole of Louisiana and enters two other states, Mississippi and Texas.

Within its bounds are many communities with out church or Sunday School.

The need is so great, souls unsaved. Sheep without a sheperd.

If I had 20 missionaries and \$20,000 for their support, so that they could give all their time to their mission, they could not in twelve months visit the neglected places in the district.

Others might have met this want. Who hath hindered them? But they have not. Surely there is room and need of our ministry in these parts.

We are the unworthy successors of such men as Newman, Hartzell, King, Lively, Sayers and many others who have labored to build up the kingdom in this part of the southland. We are here because we have been sent.

We cheerfully receive our appointments from our honored bishops.

We have a right to expect that back of us shall be the warm, brotherly sympathy of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the Warld.

This assurance would strengthen the morale of our ministry and laiety throughout the entire south.

My relation with the pastors and members has been delightful.

The Quarterly conference have been harmonious.

The hospitality of our people has been of the proverbial southern type.

Homes have every where been open to me and the best set before me.

May the blessing of Almighty God, be richly bestowed upon the Southern District.

F. W. LOY, District Superintendent.

Frances Ellen Perkins was born February 21st 1834, in Topsham, Maine and was married October 5th 1854 to Cyrus Armstrong King a Methodist Episcopal Minister of precious memory. After serving pastorates in Maine including Lewiston, Bath, Gorham and Augusta, Mr. and Mrs. King moved to Nebraska where Dr. King became a member of that Conference. In 1875 they transferred to Kansas and became pioneers in that State. In 1890 they transferred to Lousiana where their splendid Christian work not only made the church at Lake Charles but did much for this conference as well.

Mrs. King was of New England Puritan stock and her life was one of piety and of great charity, benevolence, kindness and forbearance, strong of character and at the same time possessing utmost gentleness.

A Lady of Culture and refinement holding fast to all the old stern ideals and practicing fully the Christian precepts. She was considerate of others at all times. In the words of Sir Philip Sidney she was "sublimely mild—a spirit without spot."

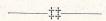
The funeral services were held on Saturday morning April 13th 1918 in the home of her daughter Mrs. Mabel

King Kelly, Lake Charles, La., attended by her children and grandchildren and many friends. She was buried in Graceland Cemetary, Lake Charles, La. Beside her husband, who died in February 1915. The services were conducted by Rev. J. Howard Gray pastor of First Methodist Episcopal Church, assisted by Rev. G. B. Hines, J. A. Carruth, J. N. Hervey, N. H. Oliver, Thomas E. Webb and N. E. Joyner.

She is survived by her daughters Mrs. Mabel King Kelly, Mrs Leon Locke, Mrs. Ida Collette and son Mr. G. M. King and grandchildren.

Truly she was the Lord's very own and often she expressed the assurance of that future home in the spirit of the hymnist: Well, the delightful day will come, and my dear Lord will bring me home, and I shall see his face. Then with my Saviour, brother, friend, a blest eternity I'll spend, Triumphant in His grace.

J. Howard Gray.



REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION



To our schools and colleges through counsel and cooperation in matters of educational policy, in organization of personal religious work, in financial campaigns, in publicity which informs the Church and promotes student attendance, in the solution of perplexing problems produced by the Great War—in all these and in less obvious ways—THE BOARD OF EDUCATION renders an unassuming but increasingly significant service. No instance is more signal than its contribution to the Educational-Jubilee Campaign, conducted under the joint auspices of the Educational Association and the Board of Education, which closed July 3, 1918, with

- a record of pledges to the support of the educational institutions of Methodism aggregating \$27,000,000.
- 2. The STUDENT LOAN FUND, derived from Children's Day Collections, has aided from the beginning more than 25,000 Methodist young people—in 1917, 2,062,—to get an education. During the Board's last fiscal year this Conference sent to New York for this account \$69.74. During the school year 1917-18, one student having their residence within its boundaries received help aggregating \$50.00
- 2. The unified appeal of the one Public Educational Collection, of which one-fifth comes to the Board of Education for the AID OF INSTITUTIONS, has been a source of strength to all the schools of the Church. From its receipts last year the Board was enabled to assist 27 institutions in great need to the amount of approximately \$50,000. This Conference furnished \$84.40 for this work. In the South, on the frontier, and where peril is imminent, our opportunity is greatest, but the call for immediate advance of all educational interests in close formation is imperative. Let every charge meet its apportionment in full.
- 4. Recognizing that CHRISTIAN EDUCATION is the dynamo of the Church for supplying trained man-power for all departments of its varied activity, we pledge our unstinting and loyal support to the program presented to us by the Board of Education for the coming year.

The Conference registers appreciation of the splendid and heroic work of President A. J. Price and his loyal corps of teachers at Port Arthur College.

H. K. Faulk
A. J. Price
H. C. Leonard
J. H. Gray
G. L. Harper.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE



Resolved—That the Conference elect at this session the Treasurer and Auditor for next year's session and that hereafter at each session of the Conference the Treasurer and Auditor be elected for the succeeding session.

Resolved—That within ninety days after the adjournment of this session of the Conference the Treasurer submit to the Auditor his report as presented to the Conference together with his receipts from the Benevolent Boards for the sums due them severally and a statement of the funds remaining in his hands, if any. The Auditor shall thereupon audit the report and receipts, and if they are found to be correct he shall deliver the accounts and funds (if any) to the Treasurer elect.

Resolved—That Pastors be required to see that their reports for the Conference Treasurer be placed in his hands properly made out not later than the first day of the Conference session.

Resolved—That the Treasurer give bond as required by the Discipline in the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars.

Resolved—that no causes be reported under the head of Other Collections, except such as have been duly approved by the Annual Conference or its Commission on Finance.

Resolved—That the reports of Pastors as presented to the Treasurer shall be correct in the following particulars:

- 1. They shall be presented on TIME.
- 2. Properly designated—showing in proper places the name of the Conference, the District, the Charge and the Pastor.
- 3. The figures shall be clear and legible.
- 4. They shall be correctly entered. The correct amounts shall be entered in their proper places, and the figures be in proper digit column.

- 5. They shall be in agreement. The amounts as entered in A shall agree with the sum of the cash and the vouchers as entered in B.
- 6. They shall be accompanied by proper vouchers. They must be official vouchers and where they are in duplicate must not be torn apart.

7. They must contain no extraneous matter, that is matter which is not properly contained in the Treasurer's report.

The accounts of the Conference Treasurer have been audited and found correct. The accounts of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension have been audited and found correct, and all moneys received properly accounted for.

E. N. Hardin, W. R. Newton, H. K. Faulk.

===== SABBATH OBSERVANCE

We regard the institution of the Sabbath one of the vital forces in the moral and spiritual world, and therefore indespensable in the warfare that we wage for the common good. We look upon all forms of Sabbath desecration as an enemy and worthy of condemnation and defeat, therefore, Be it resolved that by the two greatest weapons at our command, precept and example, we remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy.

G. L. Harper.



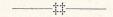
 We greatly appreciate the cordial manner in which the members and friends of the Collins Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church have welcomed the members of the Conference to their homes — ably maintaining the traditions of the southland.

- 2. In particular do we wish to thank heartily the ladies of the Aid Society and of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society for the abundant table daily spread in the annex.
- 3. To the pastor W. H. Germany and the District Superintendent L. E. Gower we owe praise for the successsful program and conference arrangements. We do not forget the Statistician and the Treasurer with their able assistants who have born with our mistakes and labored while others slept.

We rejoice in the helpful and practical addresses given by J. W. Van Cleve, A. Wesley Mell, F. W. Mueller, Charles C. Rarick and W. E. Harrison.

- 4. We desire to thank the local papers—The Post, the Chronical, and the Press for their able reports of the Conference and sustained interest in its sessions.
- 5. We greatfully recognize the wise and brotherly manner with which Bishop Charles Bayard Mitchell has presided at the Conference sessions and greatly appreciate the way he has given himself without stint in lecture, addresses and sermons. Through him the Conference has been uplifting and will be an abiding inspiration.

J. A. Carruth H. C. Leonard H. K. Faulk.



REPORT OF BOARD OF CONFERENCE STEWARDS



Conference Claimants Fund 1918-1919.

Received from the Book Concern.....\$306.00

Received from the Connectional Fund
Total\$1204.36
Annuity Claim\$1101.00
Annuity Paid716.00
J. W. Lively \$1204.00
N. L. Sayers
F. D. Van Valkenburg
Julian Woodson 230.00
Mrs. P. C. Chaney 75.00
Mrs. E. G. Ferguson100.00
Mrs. J. T. James 130.00
The Bolton Children 30.00
N. H. Oliver 146.00
Total Paid Claimants\$1204.00 L. E. Gower.
PLAN OF CONFERENCE EXAMINATIONS
Board of Examiners—Haughton K. Faulk, chairman, W. H. Germany, registrar, H. C. Leonard, T. J. Shrode, F. J. Ensign, J. H. Gray, R. L. Weldon
Admission on Trial.
1. The English Language H. C. Leonard (a) The Art of Writing English,
(b) All papers submitted shall be examined and mark-

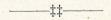
ed with reference to the use of English.

3. Discipline	J. H. Gray
4. Life of John Wesley	R. L. Weldon
5. Christian Perfection	W. H. Germany
6. Essay	
7. Written Sermon	T. J. Shrode
First Year	
I. New Testament History	H. C. Leonard
2. Human Behavior	R. L. Weldon
3. Making of the Sermon	J. H. Gray
4. How to Study	Haughton K Faulk
5. Homiletical Work	T. J. Shrode
COLLATERAL READING AN	
The Church School	W. H. Germany
Public Worship	
Individual Work	R. L. Weldon
The Pastor-Preacher	H. C. Leonard
Winning the Fight against Drink	F. I. Ensign
The Life of the Spirit in the Modern	n English
Poets	
Francis Asbury	T. J. Shrode
The Methodist Review	T. J. Shrode
Second Year	
1. (a) Dictionary of the Bible, (1 Vo	ol. edition).
(b) The Bible in the Making.	,
(c) How we got our Bible	H. C. Leonard
2. Short History of the Christian Ch	
3. (a) The Pupil and the Teacher,	
(b) The Graded Sunday School	
4. The Way to Win	H. K. Faulk
5. Homiletical Work	T. J. Shrode
Collateral Reading an	
The Christian View of the Old Test	
Education in Religion and Morals	maugnton K. Faulk

The Preacher, His Like and Work	J. H. Gray
Letters on Evangelism	R. L. Weldon
Solving the Country Church Problem	T. J. Shrode
History of Methodism (Vol. I)	H. C. Leonard
Life of Luther	W. H. Germany
The Methodist Review	F. J. Ensign
THIRD YEAR	
1. Beacon Lights of Prophecy	W. H. Germany
2. Foundation of Christian Belief	
3. (a) Socialism and Modern Problems,	
(b) Social Institutions and Ideals of	
4. Introduction to the Study of Compara	
Religion	F. J. Ensign
5. Homiletical Work	T. J. Shrode
COLLATERAL READING AND	
Studies in Christianity	H. C. Leonard
The Fact of Christ	H. K. Faulk
Christianity and the Social Crisis	T. J. Shrode
Social Evangelism	
Community Survey	W. H. Germany
History of Methodism (Vol. II)	
Life of Phillips Brooks	
The Methodist Review	H. K. Faulk
Fourth Year	
1. Paul and His Epistles	H. C. Leonard
2. System of Christian Doctrine	
3. Ethics	Haughton K. Faulk
4. (a) The New Home Missions,	
(b) Social Aspects of Foreign Missi	onsR. L. Weldon

COLLATERAL READING AND STUDY

Historical Geography of the Holy Land	IT. J. Shrode
The Book of Isaiah (Vol. I)	W. H. Germany
Outline of Christian Theology	H. C. Leonard
The Call of the World	Haugton K. Faulk
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The Church a Community Force	F. J. Ensign
The Church a Community Force The Minister as Shepherd	



REGULATIONS

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I. No less than ten questions for examination in each study shall be prepared by each examiner, and as many copies of these questions as the Chairman shall need shall be sent to him two weeks before the date of examination.

2. All examinations shall be in writing and in the

presence of witnesses if practicable.

3. Examination papers shall be graded on the basis of subject matter, use of English, and assignment of written work.

4. The examinations shall be graded on the scale of 100, and 70 per cent is the minimum passing grade.

5. Each Examiner shall report all grades promptly to

the Registrar.

- 6. Each examiner shall give instruction by correspondence and see that the assignments of written work, both of the regular text books, and of the collateral books be done satisfactorily.
- 7. No equivalent for any subject in the course of study will be accepted, except on certificate signed by the President or Registrar of the college where subject was taken, and stating time when subject was pursued.

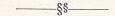
8. The wise student will get in touch at once with his

examiner.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION

This is to Certify that on Sunday, December 1, 1918 at Houston, Texas, I ordained as an Elder in the Church of God, C. E. Burch.

Charles Bayard Mitchell



CONFERENCE SESSIONS



GULF MISSION

Year	Tim	e Place		Bishop	Secretary
1893	Jan.	19—Jennings,	La.—E.	C. Andrews-C.	K. Woodson
1894	Jan.	25—Lake Cha	rles, La.	-J. M. Walden-	-C. K. Woodson
				os. Bowman—C.	
1896	Jan.	23—Jennings,	La.—J.	N. Fitzgerald—C	K. K. Woodson
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GULF MISSION CONFERENCE

1897	Jan. 21—Jennings, La.—J. M. Walden—C. K. Woodson
1898	Feb. 3—Crowley, La.—W. X. Ninde—C. K. Woodson
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1907	Dec. 16-Jennings, LaWilliam Burt-J. R. Basket
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	Dec. 16—Port Arthur, Texas—T. B. Neely—J. R. Basket
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1916 Dec. 7—DeRidder, La.—W. O. Shepard—J. W. Hervey

1917 Nov. 29—Hughes Springs, Texas—W. Thirkield—J. Hervey 1918 Nov. 27—Houston, Texas—Chas, B. Mitchell—H. C. Leonard



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H. C. LEONARD, Secretary

IN MEMORIAM

ROLL OF OUR HONORED DEAD

"They rest from their labors and their works do follow them"

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STATISTICAL TABLES AND TREASURERS REPORT—GULF CONFERENCE

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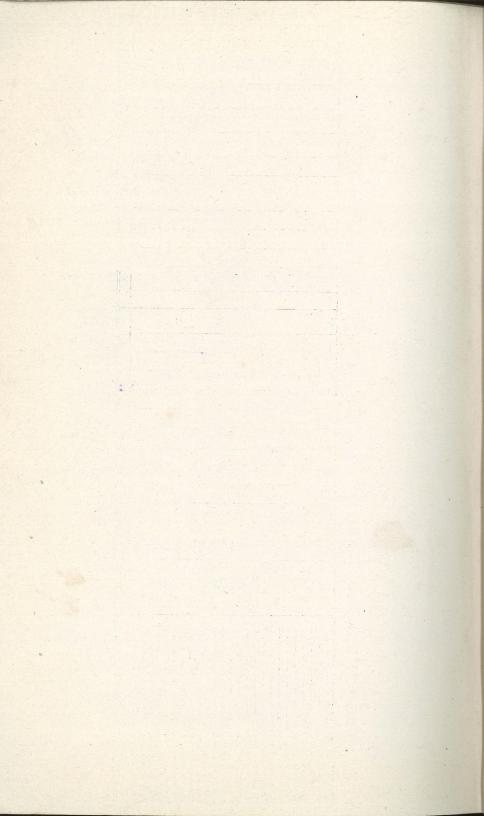
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